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Valencia Man Charged with Domestic Violence Killing of Boyfriend

A 21-year-old man was charged today with the murder of his boyfriend whose body was later found in a closet, the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office announced.

Deputy District Attorney Julie Kramer said Christian Alexander Ortiz (dob 12/28/95) of Valencia faces one count of murder in case PA089626.

Arraignment was scheduled today and continued to Nov. 16 in Department S of the Los Angeles County Superior Court, San Fernando Branch.

Ortiz is charged with killing Brayan R., 20, on Sept. 22. The victim's body was discovered two days later in the defendant's closet.

If convicted as charged, Ortiz faces a possible maximum sentence of 25 years to life in state prison. Bail is scheduled at \$2 million.

The case remains under investigation by the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department.

About the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office

Los Angeles County District Attorney Jackie Lacey leads the largest local prosecutorial office in the nation. Her staff of nearly 1,000 attorneys, 300 investigators and 800 support staff members is dedicated to protecting our community through the fair and ethical pursuit of justice and the safeguarding of crime victims' rights.